

# PERSONNEL SUPERVISOR I

# SPOT PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION FOR CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL EMPLOYEES

CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT: EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORKPLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE, AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

**SPOT FOR** 

Yolo County - Indicate this location on your application. The California Highway Patrol has opened testing to establish an eligible list for Yolo County.

Positions exist in Yolo County.

**FINAL FILING DATE** 

May 28, 2009

Applications (STD. 678, Rev. 12-06) must be **POSTMARKED** no later than the final filing date. Applications postmarked, personally delivered, or received via interoffice mail after the final filing date will not be accepted for any reason. Submit applications to:

California Highway Patrol Selection Standards and Examinations Unit P. O. Box 942898 Sacramento, CA 94298-0001

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in item number 2 of the application. You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

NOTE: Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of signed identification to each phase of the examination.

QUALIFICATIONS APPRAISAL INTERVIEW

It is anticipated that interviews will be held during June 2009.

**SALARY RANGE** 

\$3658 - \$4446

WHO SHOULD APPLY

- 1. Applicants must have a permanent civil service appointment with the California Highway Patrol as of the final filing date, in order to participate in this examination; or
- Must be a current or former employee of the Legislature for two or more years as defined in Government Code Section 18990: or
- Must be a current or former non-elected exempt employee of the Executive Branch for two or more consecutive years as defined in Government Code Section 18992; or
- Must be a person retired from the United States military, honorably discharged from active military duty with a service-connected disability, or honorably discharged from active duty as defined in Government Code Section 18991.

**ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION** 

A departmental eligible list will be established for the California Highway Patrol. This list will be abolished 48 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period. Please note that the list can be abolished any time after 12 months based on the needs of the service.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

NOTE: All applicants must meet the experience and/or education requirements for this examination by the final filing date.

One year of experience in the California state service performing the duties of a Personnel Specialist, Range D, Senior Personnel Specialist, or Personnel Services Supervisor I.

ADDITIONAL DESIRABLE QUALIFICATION

Familiarity with automated systems.

THE POSITION

A Personnel Supervisor I is the first supervisory level and incumbents are responsible for one or more personnel transactions programs. Under general supervision, incumbents supervise a staff of Personnel Specialists performing personnel/payroll transactions functions. There may be functional supervision of lower-level Personnel Specialists in geographically separated locations. Incumbents develop and provide training and technical assistance to internal and departmental staff.

**EXAMINATION INFORMATION** 

This examination will consist of a Qualifications Appraisal Interview weighted 100%. The interview will include a number of predetermined job-related questions. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained in the interview. **Competitors who do not appear for the interview will be disqualified.** 

## **Qualifications Appraisal Interview Only - Weighted 100%**

## Scope:

In addition to evaluating the competitor's relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis in the examining interview will be on measuring competitively, relative to job demands, each competitor's:

- A. Knowledge of:
  - 1. Current office methods, procedures, equipment, and basic math principles.
  - 2. Laws, rules, regulations, and bargaining contract provisions affecting personnel record keeping, personnel transactions, payroll, and certification processes used in state departments.
  - 3. Principles of effective supervision.

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- The Department's Equal Employment Opportunity objectives.
- A supervisor's role in the Equal Employment Opportunity program and for maintaining a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment.

- Ability to:

  1. Think logically, multitask, and apply laws, rules, regulations, and bargaining contract provisions concerning personnel transactions.

  2. Independently interpret and use reference material.

- Advise employees of their rights, and consult with supervisors on alternative actions which they may take regarding various transaction situations.
- Communicate effectively.
- Operate a computer keyboard/terminal.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relations with those contacted during the course of the work.
- Organize and prioritize work.
- Create/draft correspondence.
- Maintain personnel records.
- Represent the Department on intra/interdepartmental teams.
- Coordinate a variety of personnel/payroll transactions.

  Research critical transactions and recommend alternative solutions.
- Plan, organize, direct, and evaluate the work of subordinate staff.
- Analyze work processes, evaluate suggestions, and develop and implement effective courses of action.
- Effectively present ideas and recommendations both orally and in writing.
- Develop subordinate staff and assess training and developmental needs.
- Effectively promote equal opportunity in employment and maintain a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment. 18.

### **VETERANS PREFERENCE**

Veterans preference credit is not granted in promotional examinations.

### HIRING INFORMATION

**Background Investigation:** The CHP conducts a background investigation to determine the competitor's suitability for employment. Information collected for a background investigation after the examination is distinct from that required on the standard application (STD. 678, Rev. 12-06) which is completed prior to the examination. You may be required to divulge conviction information on the background investigation form that is not required of you when completing the STD. 678. Fingerprints of competitors are also taken as part of the background investigation.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

It is the competitor's responsibility to contact the California Highway Patrol, Examinations, telephone (916) 375-2535, three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a competitor's notice of oral interview fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Applications (STD. 678, Rev. 12-06) for open and promotional examinations are available from the California Highway Patrol, local offices of the Employment Development Department, the State Personnel Board (SPB), and the SPB Website at www.spb.ca.gov.

If you meet the requirements stated on this bulletin, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirements does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all competitors who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The California Highway Patrol reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

Interview Location(s): It is anticipated that interviews will be scheduled in West Sacramento.

Competition is limited to those who meet one of the criteria listed above under "Who Should Apply." Under certain circumstances others may be allowed to compete under the provisions of SPB Rules 234, 235, and 235.2. SPB Rules 233, 234, 235, and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examinations. These rules may be reviewed at departmental personnel offices or the SPB.

**General Qualifications:** Competitors must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and the ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the classification.

**Interview Scope:** In addition to the scope described on this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the competitor's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a competitor's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plans for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

The **California Relay Service** enables a person with a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) to communicate over telephone lines with another person who does not have a TDD. To use the California Relay Service, call the following: if you have a TDD, 1-800-735-2929; if you do not have a TDD, call 1-800-735-2922.